Compartment Review Record of Changes and Decisions Traverse City – Traverse City Forest Management Area 2007Year-of-Entry East Bay Town Hall December 13, 2005 Revised Draft

The following documents the changes and decisions to be made to the inventory database and compartment maps at the Traverse City compartment review. Discussions are also noted. Unless a revision is prepared, this document is the official record of change and decisions.

As per work instructions written public comments were presented at the review and were a consideration in the final management decisions. Comments that were presented included:

- Requesting a buffer along Wildwood Road in Compartment 11.
- Requests to continue management of early successional aspen for wildlife habitat through harvest of aspen and other species beneficial to wildlife at early stages.
- Mitigation or cancel harvest in Compt. 11 along Lake Ann Pathway.
- Make available map symbol explanation sheets so that the public can understand our maps.
- Cease cutting and allow areas to naturally succeed.
- Minimize impacts of logging on recreational trails.

Compartment 9 – Tim Webb

Stand #12 - Has a red shouldered hawks nest nearby. A buffer and seasonal restriction will be applied.

Stand #43 - Questioned by Roger. Read treatment and he concurred.

Limiting factors – old growth designation won't be treated unless decisions are made on old growth – will be in place by next YOE review.

Treat ash w/in prescribed stands according to the Dept. EAB guidelines. Check on guidelines from Roger Mech for ash treatment in designated old growth stands.

Stand #62. If AOI, shelterwood treatment to promote sugar maple regeneration. Random cut to look natural – this will smooth out the red pine market. Also clearcut scotch pine.

Note stand #3 is old aspen. There is a risk of mortality during the next ten years in this un-prescribed designated old growth stand.

Southern border of compartment is 2 miles from EAB outlier.

Compartment 11 – Tim Webb

Stand #37 - MNFI identified loons nest on Sanford Lake. No cut within 500 feet. If within sale area will remove from sale area and add seasonal restrictions.

Stand #17 - As a result of public comment and input at the Open House, changes were made in consideration of the public's concern about treatments along the Lake Ann Pathway. Drop "thumb" from northwest side. Trail will become boundary. North half cut aspen only. South ½ original prescription. Access from 2 track south of trail.

Stand #7 - Drop prescription, will naturally convert to hardwood.

Stands #56,66,82 - Add spec to protect horse trail that traverses south portion of stands.

Stand #66 - Focus thinning on high risk aspenalong Wildwood Road and leave hardwood trees immediately adjacent to the cleared road right-of-way uncut.

Compartment 18 – Craig Allen

Stand #50 - Trespass along 2 track at Reynolds Road

Stand #10 - Portion may require access lowlands. Access might be reduced on E. Side. WLD would then cut non-commercial.

Stand #6 - Maintain prescription.

Stand #2 - Creek on map is not really there.

Stand #40 will be sold with adjacent stand in Compt 17 in YOE 2006.

Snowmobile trail reroute from Reynolds Co. Road (seasonal) to old RR grade (2 miles of of Co. Road) and changed in stand 40. This would affect compt. 21 also.

MNFI identified eagle's nest. WLD advises most recent nest blew down and wasn't rebuilt.

Compartment 37 – Scott Lint

Stand #82 North ½ remains a shelterwood, South ½ change to selection

Stand #41 – Contingent plan would be to plant white spruce.

Stands #37, 43, 44 Maintain 100" buffer from water

Stand #66 Limiting factor access.

Compartment 41 – David Johnson

Stand #5 maintain stream buffer Include VMS specs. for snowmobile trail.

Compartment 53 – Patrick Ruppen

Stand #54 – WLD, FSH & FMFM will review buffer area on site to resolve issues. Natural River distance of slope, beaver stamina. Meet objective of mimicking natural fire.

Compt. Objective – Cut low quality wood, burn to mimic natural fire & review results to identify the future natural regeneration. Savannah Oak openings are an objective of the process along w/ a mosaic of natural seed releases and sprouting including aspen, pine barrens, grassy openings, etc.

Buffer will be included along creeks (Stand 76) Distance to be determined. ORV, North Country Trail and Horse trail traverses this compartment. Problem areas along creek.

<u>Compartment 66 – Manistee SGA – Steve Griffith</u>

Stand #2 contains garlic mustard. Mechanical treat instead of chemically treat. Stand #55 Red shouldered hawk nest Stand #10 Eagle nest